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**I. DISTINGUISHED SERVICE MEDAL.** By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 9 July 1918, the Distinguished Service Medal (First Oak Leaf Cluster) for exceptionally meritorious and distinguished service in a position of great responsibility is awarded to:

Major General *William A. Carter*, O18023, United States Army. August 1951 to January 1962.

**II. LEGION OF MERIT.** 1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 20 July 1942, and Executive Order 10600, 15 March 1955, the Legion of Merit for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service is awarded to:

Lieutenant Colonel *Harland L. Dodge*, O80398, General Staff (Infantry), United States Army. June 1954 to January 1962.

Major General *Andrew R. Lolli*, O29844, United States Army. August 1957 to January 1962.

Colonel *James U. Moorhead*, O41957, Corps of Engineers, United States Army. May 1951 to November 1961.

Brigadier General *William E. R. Sullivan*, O29635, United States Army. October 1955 to December 1961.

2. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 20 July 1942, and Executive Order 10600, 15 March 1955, the Legion of Merit (First Oak Leaf Cluster) for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service is awarded to:

Colonel *Sigfrid E. Carlson*, O351200, Artillery, United States Army. February 1954 to January 1962.

Colonel *Roscoe C. Huggins*, O18851, Signal Corps, United States Army. June 1951 to January 1962. (This award supersedes the previous awards of the Army Commendation Medal (Second Oak Leaf Cluster) for meritorious services during the period 23 August 1955 to 2 September 1955 as announced in Letter Orders, Hq, DA TAGO, dated 29 June 1956, and Army Commendation Medal (Third Oak Leaf Cluster) for meritorious services during the period 3 September 1955 to 29 May 1957, as announced in General Orders No. 36, dated 29 May 1957, Hq, U.S. Army Security Agency, Arlington Hall Station, Arlington, Virginia.)

3. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 20 July 1942, and Executive Order 10600, 15 March 1955, the Legion of Merit (Degree of Commander) for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service is awarded to:

Brigadier General *Alfredo Ovando Candia*, Army of the Republic of Bolivia. October 1957 to June 1961.

Lieutenant General *Charles P. de Cumont*, 23065, Belgian Army. December 1959 to December 1961.

4. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 20 July 1942, and Executive Order 10600, 15 March 1955, the Legion of Merit (Degree of Officer) for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service is awarded to:

Colonel *Stig Albert Lorenz Lofgren*, Swedish Army. February 1956 to June 1961.

**III. SOLDIER'S MEDAL.** By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress, approved 2 July 1926, a Soldier's Medal for heroism not involving actual conflict with an enemy is awarded to:

Sergeant *Felix M. Cebrian*, RA10306068, Transportation Corps, United States Army, a member of the Manila Detachment, United States Transportation Agency, Japan, distinguished himself by heroism on 28 May 1960 at San Francisco del Monte, Quezon City, Republic of the Philippines. During a raging typhoon Sergeant *Cebrian* noticed that several neighboring families were dangerously stranded in their homes as the result of steadily rising flood waters from a nearby creek. Disregarding his personal safety Sergeant *Cebrian* voluntarily entered the turbulent waters to effect the life saving rescue and evacuation of these families including women, children and aged persons. He repeatedly swam through the flood waters where swift currents, floating debris and submerged obstacles created great hazards to his own life. Although cold, wet and exhausted Sergeant *Cebrian* persevered in his efforts until all stranded persons had been removed to a safe place. He then unselfishly provided the victims with food and shelter in his home until the typhoon and flood had subsided. Sergeant *Cebrian's* courageous actions, thoughtfulness and generosity in this disaster reflect great credit on himself and the military service.

Private First Class *Richard J. Groton*, BR13675708, Transportation Corps, United States Army, a member of the 435 Transportation Command (Motor Transport), distinguished himself by heroism on 22 May 1961, during the unit's active duty for training at Indiantown Gap Military Reservation, Annville, Pennsylvania. While performing duty as a switchboard operator in the unit communications tent, Private *Groton* noticed that the communication officer was adjusting an inefficiently operating Coleman gasoline lantern. Suddenly the officer became sprayed about the neck, chest and hands with gasoline, under pressure, which instantly ignited. Failing to extinguish the flames on his person with his hands, the officer ran from inside the tent. Quickly realizing the immediate danger involved, Private *Groton* ran out of the tent and with complete disregard for his own personal safety, threw his arms about the officer, fell with him to the ground and smothered the flames with his body and hands. Private *Groton's* prompt action, presence of mind and unselfish display of courage in this sudden emergency undoubtedly prevented serious injury or death to the communications officer and reflects distinct credit on himself and the military service.

Private First Class *Robert J. McDonnell*, RA14735972, United States Army, a member of the United States Army Parachute Team, Fort Bragg, North Carolina, distinguished himself by heroism on 24 September 1961 at

Wilmington, North Carolina. An Air Force C-123 aircraft carrying five civilian newsmen and seven members of the United States Army Parachute Team took off from the New Hanover County Airport where the Army team members were scheduled to participate in parachute jump demonstrations in connection with the Civil Air Patrol Air Show. After attaining an altitude of approximately 500 feet, the plane leveled off, lost altitude rapidly, crashed onto the runway, and instantly burst into flames. Upon impact of the plane Private *McDonnell* was pinned under a section of the wing within the badly damaged and burning aircraft. Despite the proximity of the open flames, the danger of explosion of the gasoline saturated air, and despite his serious burns and fractures, Private *McDonnell* refused aid until the other persons in the aircraft were rescued. By his self-sacrifice and courageous action he was materially responsible for the saving of precious, life-saving time and enabled the rescuers to extricate the other more easily accessible persons. Private *McDonnell's* outstanding bravery and utter disregard for his own safety, despite his injuries and possible death, reflects great credit on himself and the military service.

Specialist Four *Walter B. Perkins*, RA17539659, United States Army, a member of Combat Support Company, 1st Battle Group, 7th Cavalry, 1st Cavalry Division, distinguished himself by heroism on 24 September 1961, in Korea. While boating on the Yong-ju Gol reservoir Specialist *Perkins* sighted a young Korean girl struggling in deep waters approximately seventy-five yards off shore. Displaying remarkable composure and complete disregard for his own safety he plunged into the waters fully clothed and swam to her aid. The girl panicked as Specialist *Perkins* attempted to secure a hold on her. In the ensuing struggle she pulled Specialist *Perkins* under water and fought off his attempts to rescue her. Despite this vigorous resistance Specialist *Perkins* managed to free himself and calm the girl. As he towed her towards shore a boy in a small boat rowed out to meet them. Specialist *Perkins* assisted in placing the victim in the boat. Realizing that this small craft would sink if overloaded by his weight Specialist *Perkins*, although exhausted, swam to shore without assistance. Specialist *Perkins's* alertness, prompt action and disregard of his personal safety in this emergency reflect great credit on himself and are in the highest traditions of the military service. (This award supersedes so much of General Orders Number 144, Headquarters 1st Cavalry Division, dated 3 November 1961, as pertains to previous award of the Army Commendation Medal to Specialist *Perkins* for meritorious achievement on 24 September 1961.)

Second Lieutenant *Douglas C. Runnels*, O5310672, Infantry, United States Army, distinguished himself by heroism on 24 September 1961, at Wilmington, North Carolina. An Air Force C-123 aircraft carrying five civilian newsmen and seven members of the United States Army Parachute Team took off from the New Hanover County Airport where the Army team members were scheduled to make a free-fall parachute jump demonstration in connection with the Civil Air Patrol Air Show. After attaining an altitude of approximately 500 feet the plane leveled off, rapidly lost altitude, crashed on the runway about 2,000 feet from the main spectator area and instantly burst into flames. Lieutenant *Runnels*, accompanied by an enlisted man, arrived at the crash site before the emergency crews and attempted to enter the plane. Finding the rear troop doors crushed and blocked by the flames, he entered the plane through a hole in the fuselage and, despite the intensity of the fire, assisted in

evacuating several of the injured victims to safety. With full knowledge that the heavy gasoline-saturated air might explode at any time, he made repeated entries and rescued personnel. Throughout the entire period, he issued orders and precisely, and continuously placed the safety of the injured men's own. He remained at the site and aided further in cleaning away the wreckage and debris. The outstanding bravery displayed by Lieutenant *Runnels* in this sudden emergency is in the most cherished traditions of the United States Army, and reflects the utmost credit on himself and the military service.

Sergeant *Gilbert Trujillo*, RA54018066, Infantry, United States Army, a member of the Replacement Company, Special Warfare Center, Fort Bragg, North Carolina, distinguished himself by heroism on 13 September 1961. Sergeant *Trujillo* was participating in a parachute drop and had commenced a normal descent when he noticed that the parachute of another soldier participating in the exercise had accidentally malfunctioned while unopening and did not become properly inflated. Realizing the immediate danger involved, Sergeant *Trujillo* quickly reached out, grabbed the partially inflated parachute and held on to it. This action enabled the soldier to descend safely on Sergeant *Trujillo's* parachute to a point of approximately two to three hundred feet from the ground where the man's reserve parachute was finally deployed and both made a safe landing. The prompt action, presence of mind, and unselfish courage displayed by Sergeant *Trujillo* in this sudden emergency prevented serious injury or death to his fellow soldier, and reflect the utmost credit on himself and the military service.

**IV--AIR MEDAL.** By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order 9158, 11 May 1942, as amended by Executive Order 9242-A, 11 September 1942, an Air Medal for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight is awarded by the Department of the Army to:

Sergeant *Leroy F. Emge*, RA17240755, United States Army. November 1960 to July 1961.

Sergeant First Class *Charles A. Letourneau*, RA36569259, United States Army. October 1960 to July 1961.

**V--ARMY COMMENDATION MEDAL.** 1. By direction of the Secretary of the Army, under the provisions of paragraph 33, AR 672-5-1, the Army Commendation Medal for meritorious service is awarded to:

Lieutenant Colonel *Peter M. Anderson*, O339298, Infantry, United States Army. February 1959 to January 1962.

Lieutenant Colonel *Leo Bertsch*, O906103, Corps of Engineers, United States Army. June 1960 to December 1961.

Master Sergeant *George R. Bessonette*, RO44067816, United States Army. July 1961 to October 1961.

Major *James J. Brockmyer*, O63401, General Staff (Artillery), United States Army. July 1959 to January 1962.

Captain *Francis J. Brown*, 60470A, United States Air Force. March 1959 to November 1961.

Chief Warrant Officer *Marvin G. Carnal*, 950452E, United States Air Force. December 1960 to August 1961.

Major *John C. Gambrell*, O58904, Quartermaster Corps, United States Army. May 1960 to December 1961.

Colonel *John B. Grier*, O217681, Quartermaster Corps, United States Army. December 1945 to April 1961.

Captain *James E. Ipsen*, O4009161, Infantry, United States Army. October to December 1960.

Sergeant First Class *Francis L. McCormack*, RA11048080, Military Police Corps, United States Army. July 1958 to March 1959.

Lieutenant Colonel *Allen L. Myers, Jr.*, O59968, General Staff (Artillery), United States Army. August 1960 to December 1961.

Lieutenant Colonel *Walter C. Terry*, O81280, Quartermaster Corps, United States Army. December 1957 to December 1961.

2. By direction of the Secretary of the Army, under the provisions of paragraph 33, AR 672-5-1, the Army Commendation Medal (First Oak Leaf Cluster) for meritorious service is awarded to:

Lieutenant Colonel *Keith A. French*, O467186, Artillery, United States Army. October 1958 to July 1961.

Master Sergeant *Robert F. Hagan*, RA33382213, United States Army. May 1960 to January 1962.

Captain *Clinton N. Jetmore*, O84631, Finance Corps, United States Army. June 1958 to July 1961.

Major *William L. McIntosh*, O1170489, Artillery, United States Army. January 1960 to November 1961.

Colonel *Robert A. Persell*, O51608, Adjutant General's Corps, United States Army. September 1956 to September 1961.

Colonel *Kenneth B. Potter*, O30366, Infantry, United States Army. January 1958 to January 1962.

Lieutenant Colonel *W. Homer Switzer*, O343821, Infantry, United States Army. January 1957 to January 1962.

3. By direction of the Secretary of the Army, under the provisions of paragraph 33, AR 672-5-1, the Army Commendation Medal (Second Oak Leaf Cluster) for meritorious service is awarded to:

Colonel *Robert R. Williams*, O22962, Artillery, United States Army. July 1959 to February 1961.

Lieutenant Colonel *Peter P. Yaskin*, O1103482, Transportation Corps, United States Army. October 1957 to August 1961.

4. By direction of the Secretary of the Army, under the provisions of paragraph 33, AR 672-5-1, the Army Commendation Medal for meritorious achievement is awarded to:

Sergeant First Class *Fred F. Jackson*, RA15401793, Armor, United States Army. January to June 1961.

Sergeant First Class *Loyd L. Keefer*, RA37224661, Army Medical Service, United States Army. 17 May 1961.

Private First Class *Edward G. Mathis*, RA19683586, United States Army. 8 October 1961.

Sergeant First Class *Donald McLean*, RA51069195, Armor, United States Army. January to June 1961.

Private First Class *Leslie A. Pierce*, RA16676313, United States Army. 18 November 1961.

Colonel *Emmett R. Reynolds*, O25489, Signal Corps, United States Army. 11 to 29 September 1961.

**VI. LEGION OF MERIT.** So much of paragraph 2, section II, General Orders No. 46, Department of the Army, 1961, as pertains to the award of the Legion of Merit to Colonel *William A. Davis, Jr.*, O18446, Corps of Engineers,

United States Army, as reads, "July 1952 to November 1961." is amended to read, "August 1951 to July 1961. (This award supersedes the previous".

**VII. SOLDIER'S MEDAL.** So much of Section V, General Orders Number 48, Department of the Army, 1961, as pertains to Master Sergeant Richard C. Lewis, AF18175437, United States Air Force, is rescinded and the following substituted therefor:

Master Sergeant *Richard C. Lewis*, United States Air Force, a member of the Idaho Nuclear Power Field Office, National Reactor Testing Station, Idaho, distinguished himself by heroism near Idaho Falls, Idaho, on 3 January 1961. Sergeant *Lewis* was at his residence in the City of Idaho Falls, when he was informed that a severe explosion had occurred within the highly radioactive core of the SL-1 Nuclear Power Plant. He quickly traveled approximately 40 miles at night to the scene of the accident and, upon arrival, found that an effort had failed to locate and rescue an enlisted man known to be inside the reactor building at the time of the explosion. Fully aware of the extremely high radiation rate existing within and surrounding the area of the explosion, and with the complete knowledge of the threatening possibility of another similar explosion, Sergeant *Lewis* entered the building in an effort to locate the missing man. Together with three other individuals, he remained inside the building and, without regard for his own personal safety, exposed himself to the dangerous radiation until the missing crew member was located. Only when it was in fact proved that the man was dead did he withdraw from the contaminated area. The prompt action, presence of mind and unselfish heroism displayed by Sergeant *Lewis* in this sudden emergency reflect distinct credit on himself and are in the most cherished traditions of the military service.

**VIII. ARMY COMMENDATION MEDAL.** 1. So much of paragraph 1, Section VIII, General Orders Number 41, Department of the Army, 1961, as pertains to award of the Army Commendation Medal to Lieutenant Colonel *William H. Pietsch, Jr.*, O25773, Infantry, United States Army, as reads "Army Commendation Medal" is amended to read "Army Commendation Medal (First Oak Leaf Cluster)".

2. So much of paragraph 1, Section VI, General Orders Number 48, Department of the Army, 1961, as pertains to award of the Army Commendation Medal to Sergeant First Class *Carl L. Schaub*, RA13258103, United States Army, as reads "RA18258103" is amended to read "RA13258103".

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY:

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